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On behalf of the Indiana Cast Metals Association (INCMA), please find attached our comments in response to General Administrative Order 2014-1.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments. Sincerely, Blake

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Subject: Re: IURC's EE/DSM Recommendations

On behalf of more than sixty member foundries and associated business of the Indiana Cast Metals Association (INCMA), I am writing to convey our strong concerns regarding an appropriate Indiana energy conservation program and overall state energy policy supportive of continued economic growth and competitiveness.

Indiana's foundry industry is historically one of the larger energy dependent sectors in the state and one of the top five producers of castings in the country. We are also one of the oldest manufacturing sectors in the state given the average foundry in Indiana has been doing business in the same location for 68 years and many for more than 100 years. Indiana foundries have fought back from significant job losses in recent years due to unfair foreign competition, an aggressive regulatory environment and the recession and currently 75 Indiana foundries in approximately 40 counties employ approximately 12,000 Hoosiers with good pay and benefits. Foundry production of metal castings represents a key base line industry that nearly all manufacturing sectors depend on including utilities. More than 90% of all manufactured goods and capital equipment use castings as engineered components or rely on castings in their production process. A competitive foundry industry is vital to the state and national economy.

Given this history and a demonstrated foundry sector commitment to energy efficiency independent of government regulation, we strongly endorse and support the comments submitted to the Commission by the Indiana Industrial Energy Consumers (INDIEC) and the Indiana Industrial Group in response to General Administrative Order 2014-1 ("GAO 2014-1"), inviting comments from interested parties with respect to energy efficiency and demand-side management ("EE/DSM") programs.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Blake Jeffery, Executive Director

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